

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 459 - SB 743

February 10, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Adds public charter schools to the list of educational entities prohibited from hiring and retaining individuals found to have committed child abuse or neglect. Prohibits the State Board of Education (SBE) from granting, restoring, or reactivating teacher licenses and permits to individuals found to have committed child abuse or neglect. Adds SBE and public charter schools to the list of educational entities that must abide by certain disclosure and due process requirements related to individuals currently employed, or offered conditional employment, that have been found to have committed child abuse or neglect.

Establishes that a person whose name is on a registry similar to this state's vulnerable person's registry or this state's sex offender registry in another jurisdiction may not be hired or retained by the Department of Education (DOE), SBE, local boards of education, or public charter schools. Prohibits SBE from granting, restoring, or reactivating a teacher license or permit to an individual on a registry similar to this state's vulnerable person's registry or this state's sex offender registry in another jurisdiction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- DOE, SBE, local boards of education, and public charter schools will be able to comply with the requirements of the proposed legislation within existing resources. Any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Any impact on the number of teacher licenses or permits is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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